

## Message Text

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ACTION EB-08

INFO OCT-01 NEA-10 ISO-00 FEA-01 COME-00 CIAE-00

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R 230949Z AUG 77

FM AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5561

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE NEW DELHI 11835

FOLLOWING TELEGRAM SENT ACTION NEW DELHI 16 AUGUST AND IS  
REPEATED TO YOU.

QUOTE:

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE MADRAS 1326

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ENRG, EGEN, IN

SUBJECT: ASAMERA STILL HAS NO OIL

REF: MADRAS 1158

1. ASAMERA EXPLORATORY OIL DRILLING IN THE GULF OF MANNAR  
HAS NOW REACHED 12,000 FEET WITHOUT FINDING ANY HYDRO-  
CARBONS. THE ASAMERA REPRESENTATIVE IN MADRAS EXPECT DRIL-  
LING TO CONTINUE UNTIL THE BASEMENT IS REACHED, PROBABLY AT  
13,000 OR 14,000 FEET.

2. IF NO OIL IS FOUND, THE PARTNERS IN THE VENTURE WILL  
MEET TO DETERMINE WHETHER TO CONTINUE EXPLORATION. ASAMERA  
REP IS CONFIDENT THAT DECISION WILL BE TAKEN TO DRILL AT  
LEAST ONE MORE WELL. SCOTT UNQUOTE GOHEEN

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## Message Attributes

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